

Perema language

Wom ([ʋ̃ɔ̃m]^[3]), or **Perema**, is a Leko language of Nigeria.

Phonology

Consonants are:

m	n			[ŋ]		
b	d		ɟ	g	gb ~ gʷ	
p	t		c	k	kp ~ kʷ	(ʔ)
f v	s z	ʃ ʒ		x		(h)
	r					
	l		j		w	

/ŋ/, and only /ŋ/, appears geminate. /ʔ/ is rare, perhaps borrowed. /h/ is known from one word, not borrowed.

Vowels are /i e ɛ a ə ɔ o u/. All may be doubled, but there are no long vowels. /a/ is neutralized to /ə/ in all but final position.

Tone is probably high, low, and falling, as in Chamba Leko.

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External links

- The Perema (Wom) language of northeastern Nigeria: classification, phonology and noun morphology (PDF) (http://www.rogerblench.info/Language/Niger-Congo/AU/WOMonly.pdf) by Roger M. Blench, 2000. Mallam Dendo, Cambridge.

Wom	
<i>Perema</i>	
Native to	Nigeria
Region	Adamawa State
Native speakers	(5,000 cited 1989) ^[1]
Language family	<div>Niger–Congo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atlantic–Congo<ul style="list-style-type: none">Leko–Nimbari<ul style="list-style-type: none">Leko<ul style="list-style-type: none">Wom</div>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	wom
Glottolog	womn1235 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/womn1235) ^[2]

Person	Pere
People	Pereba
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